(e) "Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana" (RGGVY) aims at electrifying all the villages in the country by 2009.

Ultra Mega Power Projects

656. SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI:
SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to skip the expression of interest stage for the proposed 4000 Ultra mega power projects;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when the IB Valley in Orissa and Krishnapatnam in Andhra Pradesh will be given benefit of this approach?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) to (c) The Ministry of Power through Power Finance Corporation has taken an initiative for facilitating the development of a few 4,000 MW Ultra Mega Power Projects (UMPP) under tariff based competitive bidding route envisaged Under Section 63 fo the Electricity Act, 2003 through project specific shell companies. Two part bidding process has been adopted for the selection of the final bidder. First part pertains to inviting Request for Qualification for short listing of the bidders and second part relates to Request for Proposal for tariff based bidding. Through invitation of expression of Interest (EoI) in earlier few projects, wider awareness among the domestic and international investors has already been created. In respect of later projects including pithead site at Orissa and coastal site at Krishnapatnam, Andhra Pradesh two part bidding process is envisaged without going through EoI stage. Notice for RFQ has already been issued on 12th July, 2006 in respect of Krishnapatnam.

Power Plants in coastal areas

657. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 9 power plants are proposed to be set up in the coastal areas of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating those proposed to be located in the Orissa coast; and

(c) the generation capacity of each of these plants?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE): (a) According to the information provided by Central Electricity Authority, ten (10) nos. thermal power projects totaling to 23065 MW have been identified as potential sites in the country. Details of these coastal power projects are given in the enclosed Statement. (*See* below)

(b) Presently there is no proposal for setting up thermal power project in the Orissa Coast.

(c) Does not arise.

Statement

List of Coastal Thermal Power Projects proposed to be set up in the country

Sl. No.	Name of Project/No. of Units x Unit size/Agency/State	Capacity (MW)
1	2	3
1.	Nagarjuna TPS 2x507.5 NPCP Karnataka	1015
2.	Ennore JV of NTPC & TN 2x500 Tamil Nadu	1000
3.	Tuticorin TPS 2x500 JV of NLC & TNEB Tamil Nadu	1000
4.	Sikka TPP Extn. 2x250 GSECL Gujarat	500

1	2	3
5.	Krishnapatnam TPS 2x800 APGENCO, PA	1600
6.	Ultra Mega Project In Mundra 5x800 Gujarat	4000
7.	Ultra Mega Project Singhu Durg 5x800 Maharashtra	4000
8.	Ultra Mega Project in A.P. 5x800 Andhra Pradesh	4000
9.	Ultra Mega Project in Tadri. 5x800 Andhra Pradesh	4000
10.	Kayamkulam 3x650 NTPC Kerala	1950
	TOTAL:	23065

Review of power generation situation

†658. SHRI KRISHAN LAL BALMIKI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to review the power generation situation in view of power crisis in Northern India;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of such projects making generation lower than their capacity and the reasons therefor?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.